

MARINE SAFETY BULLETIN

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Reminder...

- During this time of heightened awareness, all industry and waterway users should keep a sharp lookout for unusual or suspicious activity.
- Immediately report unusual or suspicious activity to the National Response Center at: 1-800-424-8802 and to Marine Safety Office New Orleans at: 504-589-6261.

Maritime Navigation Advisory

The following short term events currently impact navigation upon the inland and coastal waters of the Captain of the Port New Orleans Zone:

MISSISSIPPI RIVER GULF OUTLET SALVAGE PROJECT

In the vicinity of mile marker 49.

INNER HARBOR NAVIGATIONAL CANAL SALVAGE PROJECT

In the vicinity of the L & N Railroad Bridge.

3RD AND 4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS SAFETY ZONE SCHEDULE

Mississippi River Gulf Outlet Salvage Project

Efforts are underway to recover seven submerged tanks located in the middle of the channel at mile marker 49, Mississippi River Gulf Outlet. The submerged tanks are located at the approximate position of North 29° 54.34', West 089° 47.31', in the vicinity of lights 111 and 112. The position of the tanks are marked with two lighted buoys. Salvage operations are expected to run through the weekend of 29 June, 2002, but may run longer should complications arise with the salvage efforts. All mariners are requested to transit this area with extreme caution and at the slowest safe speed to minimize wake. Mariners transiting this area should also contact the M/V ALEX J on VHF-FM channels 16 or 67 for further information concerning the channel obstruction.

Inner Harbor Navigational Canal Salvage Project

Salvage operations are currently in progress to raise a capsized jack up rig that is blocking the Inner Harbor Navigational Canal in the vicinity of the L & N Railroad Bridge. The canal is closed to all marine traffic in an area one quarter of a mile north and south of the capsized vessel. Salvage operations are expected to run through the weekend of 29 June, 2002, but may run longer should complications arise with the salvage efforts. Mariners may contact Coast Guard Marine Safety Office New Orleans at 504-589-6261 for updated information concerning the canal closure.

Fireworks Safety Zone Schedule

<u>WATERWAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
Lower MS River Miles 137-139	3 July	2100-2145	All vessels prohibited to transit area
Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Marina	3 July	2100-2145	All vessels prohibited w/in 500 yards
Lower MS River Miles 120.5-122.5	3 July	2045-2130	All vessels prohibited to transit area
Treasure Chest Casio Lake Pontchartrain	4 July	2100-2145	All vessels prohibited w/in 500 yards
Boomtown Casino, Harvey Canal Miles 3.5-5.5	4 July	2100-2145	All vessels prohibited to transit area
Lower MS River Miles 93.5-95.5	4 July	2100-2145	All vessels prohibited to transit area

